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| In re Application of                   | : | Before the Examiner:                  |
| ROHIT V. KAPOOR, (et al.)              | : | Group Art Unit:                       |
| Serial No:                             | : | Intellectual Property Law Department  |
| Filed:                                 | : | International Business Machines Corp. |
| Title: <b>METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR</b> | : | 11400 Burnet Road                     |
| <b>AN E-COMMERCE MESSAGE USING SMS</b> | : | Austin, Texas 78758                   |

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows. Consideration of the claims is respectfully requested.